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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Pierre DRUILHE, et al.

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FOR: MALARIAL PRE-ERYTHROCYTIC STAGE POLYPEPTIDE MOLECULES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Communication mailed December 4, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows.

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, prenumbered lines 22-34, as follows:

--The subject of the invention is polypeptide molecules containing at least ten

consecutive amino acids of the amino acid sequence shown in Figure 2 and designated SEQ

ID No. 2, and representing LSA-3, the following polypeptides being excluded:

- RDELFNELLNSVDVNGEVKENILEESQVNDDIFNSLVKSVQEQQHNVVEE [SEQ ID NO:10]